



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Lamar High School
Darlington County School District
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 288
Principal: Kathy B. Gainey
Superintendent: Dr. Rainey Knight
Board Chair: Charles Govan

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	A	N/A
2011	Excellent	Average	Gold	Gold	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Good	Silver	Gold	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
3	3	22	1	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2011	2012	2011	2012
Passed 2 subtests (%)	68.9%	83.1%	65.8%	70.6%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	12.2%	13.8%	19.0%	16.2%
Passed no subtests (%)	18.9%	3.1%	15.2%	13.2%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2012

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	100.0%	89.3%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	55	184
Number of Diplomas	55	135
Rate (%)	100.0%	72.7%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2012

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	72.5	65.2
English 1	51.4	54.6
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	89.3	65.9
US History and the Constitution	33.9	35.2
All Tests	61.4	51.7

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRADE 8 (2011)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2011)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=288)				
Retention rate	3.9%	Down from 5.0%	4.3%	3.0%
Attendance rate	94.9%	Down from 95.0%	94.9%	95.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.0%	Up from 0.0%	1.2%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	0.0%	No Change	7.2%	13.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	25.8%	50.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	29.1%	Up from 27.5%	28.0%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	2.7%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	5.5%	2.7%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	85	Up from 62	352	395
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	100.0%	Up from 96.8%	81.9%	84.0%
Teachers (n=20)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	70.0%	Up from 59.1%	61.3%	63.2%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	81.2%	Down from 83.0%	83.3%	86.6%
Teacher attendance rate	96.2%	Down from 97.0%	94.7%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,276	Up 0.2%	\$46,800	\$47,326
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	3.4%	3.6%
Professional development days/teacher	10.4 days	Down from 11.5 days	10.5 days	9.7 days
School				
Principal's years at school	8.0	Up from 7.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.3 to 1	Up from 19.9 to 1	24.6 to 1	27.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.7%	Down from 91.3%	87.7%	89.4%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$11,447	Down 3.4%	\$8,818	\$7,761
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	50.7%	Down from 51.7%	55.2%	57.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	54.8%	Up from 54.2%	57.8%	59.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 97.0%	96.8%	97.8%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	93.7	N/A	69.1	78.2

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	28	65	16
Percent satisfied with learning environment	74.1%	92.3%	81.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	92.9%	92.3%	87.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	67.9%	95.3%	75.0%

*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Lamar High School, a Class A high school in the southern region of

Darlington County, has a population of 289 students in grades 9-12.

Its academic program consists of a comprehensive curriculum of college prep, honors level and advanced placement courses, as well as dual credit opportunities (courses for high school and college credit) in which students may enroll.

Course offerings in visual and performing arts, as well as vocational completer programs, available through the Darlington County Institute of Technology, enhance the academic program at Lamar High School. The extracurricular programs at Lamar High School add the finishing touch needed to provide a well rounded educational experience for our students.

Among the numerous academic accomplishments of the Lamar High

Silver Foxes, during the 2011-12 school year were the following: 32% of our students made the honor roll each quarter, 41% received awards at the annual academic ceremony, 25% of the graduating class were vocational completers, 32% of the graduating class met the grade point average and class rank requirements for the Life Scholarship, and over \$1,097,000.00 in scholarship money was offered to members of the class of 2012. Our school had the ninth highest graduation rate out of 212 high schools in South Carolina. Our school was fifth in the state for African American performance. Our graduation rate in 2011 was 95.6%.

Lamar Silver Foxes had many extracurricular successes in the 2011-12 school year.

Lamar High School continues to strive for improved student performance on the HSAP, PSAT, SAT, ACT, EOCEP and all academic areas.

Lamar High was a proud recipient of the Palmetto Gold Award for General Performance and the Palmetto Gold Award for Closing the Achievement Gap.

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Susan Lear, School Improvement Council Chairperson

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